

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2410 - HB 2672

March 3, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides that the district attorney general may petition the court of record, supported by evidence from law enforcement that release of information in the report of a county medical examiner, a toxicological report or an autopsy report may seriously impede or impair the investigation of a homicide or felony, for an order that such reports are not subject to disclosure as a public document. Specifies that the court in its discretion and with the consent of the district attorney general may release portions of such reports that will not impair or impede the investigation and that the court may only order public disclosure of any such record that has previously been protected upon written application of the district attorney general.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant / Permissive

Assumes to the extent district attorney generals choose to petition to prevent public disclosure of records as provided in this act they will experience an increase in expenditures for the administrative costs associated with such petition. This increase is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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